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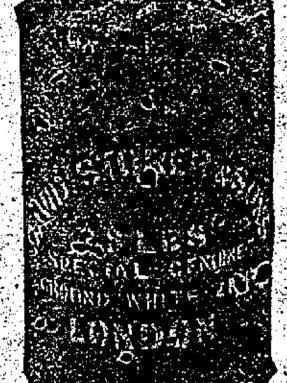
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to

28th Instant, both days inclusive. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkoug, December 13, 1899.

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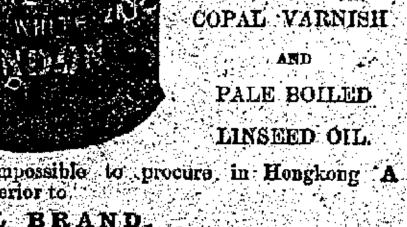
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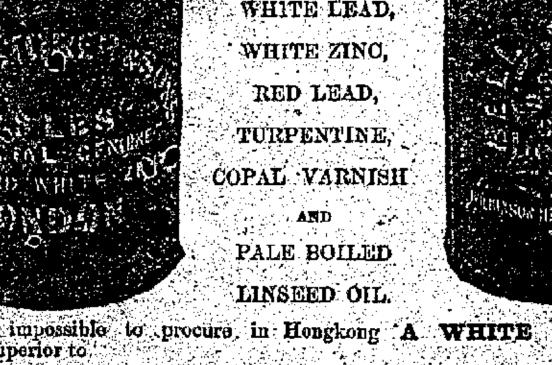
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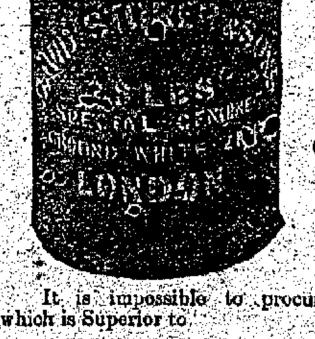


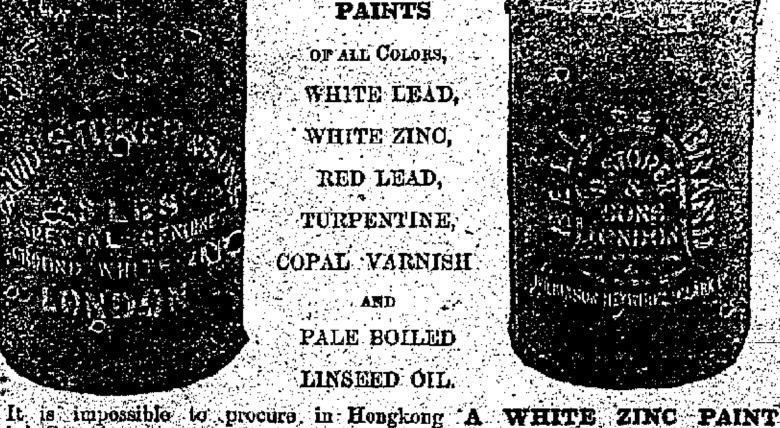


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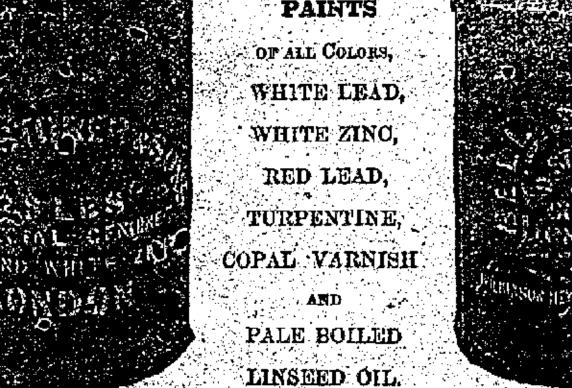


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Doc. 28, at 4 p.m. London v. Suez Canal Antenor (a) London via Marscilles Socotra (a) FURNITURE, &c. Nipp n Yusen Kaisha, Dec. 20, at 4 p.m. Manila Futumi Mara (3)..... Butterfield & Swire. Jan. 15, at moon. Comprising: Thiyuan (8) Messageries Maritimes Jau. 1, at noon. SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH COVERED Carlowise & Co...... About Jan. 31. Marseilles v. Saigon. (Cecanien (8) DRAWING ROOM-SUITES, TEAK OVERMAN-M'alles, H ro & H burn Silesia (a) Nippon Yusen Kaisha. Dec. 29, at 4 p.m. TELS, CHIPONIER, JAPANESE CABINETS, CAN-Marseilles, London, &c. Ava Maru (8) Nippon Yuson Kaisha, January 14. TON BLACKWOOD TABLES and STOOLS, Marseilles, London, &c., Inaba Maru(s). P. & O. S. N. Co March 31. CARPETS, Rugs, and LACE CURTAINS, &c. M'lles, P'mouth, L'don Parramatta (8) P. & O. S. N. Co.... April 14. TEAK SIDEBOARD WITH MILROR, DINNER Milles, Panouth, L'don Massilia (s) P. & O. S. N. Co About Jan. f. WAGUONS, DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, OIL-Jardine, Mathesona Co. About Jan. 18. N'saki, Kobe & Y'ma Itogetta (s) PAINTINGS, FINE ENGRAVINGS, ORNAMENTS, New Yorky. Suoz Canal Indravelli (8) Dodwell & Co., Ltd January middle. GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, CUTLERY, GAS Showan, Tomes & Co. About Dec. 27. New Yorky. Suez Canal Afridi (8) New Yorky SuczCanal Asama (8)..... Dodwoll & Co. Limite! Jan 27, at noon. FITTINGS, &c., &c. Double and Single Brass Mounted Ben. STEADS, TEAK WARDROUE with MIRROR, Portland, Orogon ... Albergeluic (8) Butterfield & Swire ... January 17. Duchesse Toilet Table, Marble-Tor Samsrang & Sourabaya Kansu (8)..... Butterfield & Swire ... January 10. San Diego v. Japan. .. Strathgyle (a) O. & O. S. S. Co..... Jan 20, us noon. WASHSTANDS, TOILET SETS, CHEST Of DRAWERS, CHAIRS, TABLES, FENDERS and S. Francisco v. Japan. Copuio (s) Pacific Mail S. S. Co Feb. 10, at moon. S. Francisco v. Japan Algon (8)... Toyo Kison Kaisha ... Jan, 3, at noon. S. Francisco v. Japan. Nippen Maru (s) ... COAL-SCUTTLES, &c., &c. Signisson & Co..... Dec. 28, at 4 p.m. - 1 COOKING RANGE and UTENSILS. P. & O. S. N. Co.... About Jan. 6. Norddeutscher Lloyd. About Dec. 30. Shanghai ... Lycemoon (a) ... 1 TENNIS NET and Poles, 1 Lot Wire-S'hai, N'ki, K'be &Y'ma Karlsruhe (8) ... Mossagorias Maritimes About Dec. 31. S'hai, N'ki, K'te &Y'mi Salazie (8)..... D. Sassoon, Sons & Co. Dec. 39, at noon. S'pore, Penang &C'tta Lightning (6) 1 COTTAGE PIANO by RECHALS (in good Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Jan. 2, daylight. condition). Swatow, Amoy v T'su Tamsui Maru (v) Dodwell & Co., Limited Dec. 30, at noon. On view from Thursday, the 28th Dec. Vancouver (B.C.), &e Empress of China (s)... Canadian P'fic R. Co. Jan. 17, at noon. Tenms: As Customary. Catalogues will be issued. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Socatra, British steamer, 3,896, T. H. To-day's Advertisements Hide, Kohe and Shanghai Doc. 9, General. Anctioneer. _P. & O. S. N. Co. Hongkong, Dec. 22, 1899. Ana Maru, Japaneso steamer, 3,912, N. 2ND VISIT IN HONGKONG. To-day's Advertisements Trennt, Moji Dec. 23, General.-Nippon FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY. YUSEN KAISHA. Thales, British steamer, 879, Passmore, Dr. M. SCHLOSSER. Foochow Dec. 25, and Amoy 26, General. -Douglas Steamship Co. SURGEON-UHINOPODIST. DEPARTURES GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. DUDDELL STREET, HONGKONG, December 26. No. 710. Room No. 11, 1st Floor. Charlerhouse, for Amoy. Cheang Cherp, for Amoy. THE following Particulars of SALE Consulting Hours from 9 a.m. till 5 p.m. Eastern, for K obo. of CROWN LAND by Public Aucrion, to be held at the Offices December 27. THE system employed by Mr. SCHLOSof the Public Works Department, on Hitachi Marn, for Kobe. WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of January, SER, which has received the highest Hue, for Haiphong. 1900, at 3 p.m., are published for general in praise from the leading European and Yungdhing, for Swatow. American Papers, as well as from leading Hiroshima Mara, for Singapore and Doni-Medical Men, does not consist in cutting Putroclus, for Singapore and Loudon. By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, the callosity of the Corn for the more this Princ Heinrich, for Europe, &c. Colonial Secretary. is Cut, the larger it grows and, extending, Suisang, for Hongay. COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, 16th December, 1899. 2791 produces Inflammation, gives rise to Chimen, for Canton. abscesses which may be followed by serious | Renlary, for Singapore and London. Particulars of the Letting by Public Remerceda, for Maulla. Auction Sale, to be held on WEDNESconsequences too numerous to mention. Loongsang, for Manila. at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public To thoroughly Cure Corns, Bunions, Sour Petrardi, for Saigon. Works Department, by Order of Corns and all diseases of the fact, THE Lot of Crown Land at Jardine's Genu of the evil, which is its Root, must PASSENCERS. 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Per Empress of China, for Hongkong: from Vancouver, Mr and Mrs Hong A Yen, taken away, sometimes there are several of Majesty the Queen, for one further these which produce a number of Corns Messrs Hong Pai, R. Dickie, E. C. Andre, from the same growth, which are formed in R. Locke, and C. M. Beecher ; from Yokoderson; from Kobe, Mr L. Tubbs, C. H. the course of time and encouraged by the frequent Cutting of the upper portion of the Ward, Mr and Mrs W. Newton, Mr H. Beldon, Mr. E. Souberbeille and valet; Mr. SCHLOSSER'S process is the only hai, Mr and Mrs E. W. Brown, Mr Scott one which extracts the root of the evil in a Granston, Mr G. T. Veitch, Col. Gorges, single operation, PAINLEBSLY, WITHOUT Mr H. W. Brazier, Air A. C. Van Nierop, BLEEDING and in a FEW MINUTES, allowing Per Keong-nen, from Bangkok, 29 Chiaway immediately afterwards without In- Per Monelune, from Singapore, 295 Chi-CONVENIENCE, as is proved by more than Per Thules, from Coast Ports, Mr Schlee, 10,000 TESTIMONALS, and over thirty years' Mr Robata, and 29 Chinese. Per Print Heinrich, from Yokohama ; experience and continued success. for Genoa, Mersis F. Naudin, S. Obika, Mr and Mrs Daval for Naples, Mr P. Consulting Rooms 3, Doddell Street, Benedetto; for London, Messis F. P. Davies and G. E. Shaw; for Southampton, Hongkong, Miss Payne, Mr and Mrs Bailey, and Mr Room No. 11. First Floor, G. Gargan ; for Hamburg, Mr G. FOR A FEW DAYS ONLY, Fischer. From Hiogo: for Genoa, Mr A. Finschi. From Nagasaki': for Singapore, IN HONGKONG. Sagn, Misses M. Matsuno, Y. Kutsuki, M. Yamakami, T. Mochishita, WANTED. and T. Nakamura ; for Fenanc, Mrs Y. Zuanaga; for Hamburg, Mesers O. Laffler. FURNISHED HOUSE, or ROOMS with a Respectable Family. Apply to Q.R.S., Care of CHINA MAIL! Office. Hongkong, December 27, 1899.

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SHIPPING REPORTS.

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The British steamer Talsang roports

The British etcamer - Empress of Chiva

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

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MATES WILL close:

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SON & Co. Mausung, British stormer, 1,648, J. Kynoch, Hongay Dec. 24; Coal, -JARDINE, Brown and child. From Canton : for Genda, Mr E. Heng. From Foochow : MATHESON & Co. Hinsang, British ste., 1,248, Crockett. for Genoa, Misses Chambers and Wathem. Moji Dec. 21, Coal .- JARDINE: MATHERON From Vladivostock: for Bremer, Messra P. Nechubr, O. Korn, O. Lange, C. Wrede J. Narasaki, Kutchinotzu Dec. 21, Coal.— Mr H. Reimeiz. MITEUL BUSSAN KAISHA

THE Co.'s Steamship

Kwono Man Wo.

December 27 Woosung, British str., from Canton. Rushing, British str., from Canton. Empress of China, British steamer, 3,003, R. Archibald, R. N.R., Vancouver Dec. 1, and Shanglani 24. Mails and General -C. Dec, crossing the Pacific experienced ma-P. R. Co. derute to fresh N.W. to S.W. winds, with

Keongewai, British steamer, 1,115, T. instructions are given to the contrary before W. Groves, Bangkok Dec. 18. Rice, Timber and General. THEN FAT HONO. Siduil, British sir, 845, Allen Jones, Saigon Dec. 21, Rice. BRANLEY & Co. Trafalgar, British 4 masted barque, 1,610, M. S. Wright, Hongay Dec. To. Bellast. SANDER WILLER & Co. Towell, Liverpool and Singapore, Dec.

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Noon .- Hatching leaves for Swatow. 4 plin, -Socotra lenves for London. Mootings. Noon Mosting of Shareholders of the Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd., at the Registered Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road 5.30 p.m. - Meeting of Diligentia Lodge Amusements. 9 p.m.—Xylophone and Kinematograph Entertainment in the Uity Hall.

Shipping.

General Momoranda. FRIDAY, December 29 :-2.45 p.m. - Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 9, Queen's Gardens, Peak Road. Goods per Massilia not cleared after p.m. subject to rent. MONDAY, January 1:-

Local Banks close. Insurance Offices close. Good por Hitachi Maru not cleared after this date subject to ront. WEDNESDAY, January 3:-3 p.m. Auction of Crown Land at Jardine's Bazaar, En t Point. SATURDAY, January 6:-9 p.m.—Grand Entertainment in aid WEDNESDAY, January 10 :--South African Fund Concort, in the City

Opium Quotations. Hongkong, December 27, 1899. New Potna, cash, 9221 Old Patna, cosh, New Benares, cash, 1000 Old Benarcs, cash, Now Malwa, credit, 900 Allowance, Taels, 8/12 Last Year, 900-Allowance, Taels,............ 8/12 Old Malwa credit, 920 Persian, Oily, cash, Allowation Prole. Persian, Paper ticd, long cakes 840 Allowance, Taols, Persian, Paper-tied, short cakes 660

Exchange. Hondkone, December 27, 1899. In London-On demand.... 30 days sight. 4 months sight, Dogumentary, a months sight, ... 2/01 n Paris-On demanda Credits, 4 months sight, On Borlin-Demand On Now York-On demand. Credits, 60 days sight, ... On Bombay-Wirc... On Calcutta— Wire.... On demand, ... On demand. On Manua-On demand, On Shanghai-

On deniand, ... 30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 731 On Yokohama-On demand. Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael) ... \$53,25 Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ...\$10.23

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THE HONOKONG DISPENSABLY

BIRTHS. On the 12th Dec., at Malacon, the of F. P. Choudher of a Sun. At No. 6, Yangizopoo Roso, Shanghal, on the 22nd December, the Wife of B. PLASONER, of a Daughter.

MARRIAGES. On the 22nd December, at the Synagogue Both-El, Shanghal, by the Rev. J. Sodka DAVID, Becoud son of M. Goldman, of Japan, to Crana, clost daughter of Alexander Serennenik, of Odessa (Russia). On the 12th Dec. at St Andrew's Cahedral, Singupore, by the Venerable Archdeacon Perham, assisted by the Rev. D. Holland Stubbs, HEBBERT CAMPUELL GULLA o of Shenghai, to MABEL AN A MARY, only daughter of Mr and Mrs

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The China Mail.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

HONGRONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1899

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL. (SUPPLIED THEOUGH REUTELL) ULIWARD: -Burma, October 31; Clio, Kostroma, Eleanor, November Ness, 17; Bedouin, Bergenhaus, Tele machus, 21 : Merionethshire, Argyll, 24; Alderney, Holsatia, Ronney, Thordis, 28; Salazie, Dec. 1; Bennarlich, 5; Glengarry, Regulus, Wakasa Maru, Yanariva, 8 John Sanderson, Benledi, Morven, Westphalia, Stentor, 12; Canton, Hyson, Langbank, Sachsen, Molus, Burdon, Cathery, Heidelberg, 19; Babelsberg, Kanagawa Maru, 22. HOMEWARD :- Annam. Nov. 17; Java, Dec 1; Canfa, 8; Bingo Maru, 19; Fostidon, Hector, 22.

ARRIVAL AT HOME. Pecember 22, Serbin.

port vin Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland honour of H.R. H. Prince Valdeniar. Sen, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghair on the 21st Dec. The C. P. R. Co.'s 8 8. Empress of Japan on the same day at 6 p.m. for Kobe, where she is due to arrive on Tuesday, the 26th Dec., at 10 p.m. P. M. S. S. Co. s chartered steamer Kobe, on the 5th Dec. The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. Coptic, with notis

Ouscnor with mails No., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and &c. 1sit San Erancisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Steamers Expected. The e.s. Birchtor, from New York, for China and Japan, sails from Singapore.

for Monila and Hongkong, on the 19th The s.s. Toman left Sydney for usual Queensland ports, Darwin, Manila, Hongkong and Shanghai, on 9th Dec. The s.s. Lidrapura, from New York, left The s.s. Cutherine Apenr from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the 24th December, at daylight. The N. P. Co.'s s.s. City of Dublin has arrived at Yokohama, and will sail on the 22nd Dec., for Hongkong. The P. & O. Co.'s s.s Tientsin left Bombay for this port on the 15th Dec.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. Saint Irene sailed first made over to Mrs Dawey and by her The N-P Co. s s.s. Briconshire sailed tion has led to some acrimonious criticism. on the 8th Dec. Latest Advices

The N. P. Co. s.s. S. Income sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 23rd Dec. The Imp. German Mail 8.8. Kurlsruke, with the GERMAN MAIL left Singapore on Saturday, the 23rd Dec. at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on or

for this part. A Costly Ruby. of Megok, Burnah, is reported to have following cable to President Kruger :discovered a fine ruby, which gives promise of being a very valuable stone. It weight 75 carata, and, looked at in the rough state, is perfectly flawless and clear.

Wednesday, the 27th Dec. at 9 p.m.,

is valued now at over £25,000. Scotia & Patron Saint. A correspondent writes to us as follows from Tientsin :- This port is plmost the only place in China where aunt Andra's Festival is not celebrated, so the fol-

lowing Express was sent round the Settle-SCOTS WILL HARMA! Wanted by a Pair Bit Budy Frac Paisley in Brillion Scot Tae Assist in Coclebratin' Saunt Andro's Freetival Nao Public Dinco; Nac Cheap Whusky . Nac Pres

Haggis | Nue Opything What Staunds Apply, bringing Savings Bank Book, to-DOUNTER WATTER co Tiontein Express. St. Andrew's Day, 1899.

Kylophone and Kinematograph Enter-

town reported on Thursday and Saturday.

Notes by the Way. The bodies of people who succumb to plague are cremated in Japan.

Mr Louis Rocher las resumed his post Commissioner of Customs at Shanghai.

Major A. F. Montanaro, R.A., is one

of the selected candidates for the office of City Marshal London. A destardly altempt has been made to

blow up the nil tanks of the Standard Oil Co. at Oakland, California. The river gunlioata Robin and Night-

ingule are rapidly preparing at Chatham for Borvico in South Africa. Lieut. T. D. Jackson, King's Own Regt., has taken up the duties of A.D.C. to Sir A. Swettenham, Acting Governor.

Two constables convicted of receiving illugal gratifications in Penang have been oach sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment.

A telegram has been received in Yoko. hama to the effect that Liont. W. T. WIL. cox, of the 5th Lancors, has been slightly wounded in Ladysmith.

The Address to the Throne, impeaching the Japanese Calinet, was rejected on the 15th December in the House of Representatives by 164 votes to 121.

The King of Slain is expected shortly at Batavia on a visit to Java. He has already sent an official there to arrange for his quarters at the Hotel des Indes.

The invitations have been issued at Bangkok for the ball to be given by the The T. K. K. s.s. America Mara, with Danish community on the 31st mat., in mails &c., left San Francisco for this

A despatch from Ladysmith reports arrived at Nagasaki at 0.30 a.m. on that the Boers recently captured throe-Monday, the 25th Dec., and left again Thorneycroft scouts, tied them to trees, and riddled thom with bullets. This some mary execution has caused much sousation.

Lord Brassey will retire from the Govemorabip of Victoria next January. He will sail in the Sundenm with Lady Brussey, calling at Fremantle, Singapore, Pennng, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the Ceylon, the Seychelles, Madagascar, Dolagoa Bay, and Capetown on his way to England

The San Francisco-Clironicle says Hobson is right in his declaration that a dry dock is a necessity at Manila. With a dock and appliances for repairing ships Manila will succeed to much of the basi-Singapore for this port on Sunday 24th ness now done at Hongkong. Any facilities in this line would pay for themselves

Admiral Dewcy Las made over to his son the house presented to him by the prople of the United States: It will continue Tho s. s. St. Regulus left New York for to be the home of the Admiral and Mrs the Straits, China and Japan on the Dewey during their life. The house was from Tacona, for Japan and Hong. conveyed to her son-in-law. The transacfrom Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, to which Admiral Dewcy has thought it. necessary to reply.

Mr.R. A. Sethma has issued a letter to Indian residents in Japan calling upon them to subscribe to the War Relief Fund. An enthusiastic meeting of British residents was held in Kobe at the instance of MrJ. C. Hall, British Consul. The following The H. A. L. stegmer Holsatia, from Ham- Committee was appointed :- Messra Hall, burg, left Singapore, for this port on Home Cook, Archer, Albert, De Ath. the 26th Duc., and may be expected Groom, J. Marshall, Weale, G. Whymark, The M. M. Co. a.s. Salazie, with the next Hellyer, R.A. Sethna, W. H. Gill, Bishop FRENCH MAIL, will leave Saigon on Foss and Dr Miller.

We are informed (says a Colombo contemporary) that about a week ago the plan-The Ruby Mines Company, Limited, I ters of the Kelani Valley despatched the Our Meet next January Expect you. Arringe Buller. Bring Mrs Kruger. It is a pity this and similar telegrams have been sent to the Transvasl. They are in the nature of insults and if Englishmen resent insults to their own Queenand rightly so -they ought to have good tuste enough to avoid similar insults to a

Embalmed Beef.

An American newspaper says :- 'In spite of all their pharisa cal common during our war the British Admiralty has made vorse blunders in furnishing food to the bring than our commissary did. They have supplied rotten tinned meat, which in soveral cases had to be thrown overboard from the transports. Our American contemporary does not add, however, that the tinned meat came from America, and was probably supplied as fit for lood.

The Fighting near Modder River. The Boar prisoners taken near the Modder River include several Germans, List nig t a must interesting enter who are very contemptations ar the went of Laighnent was given in St Andrew's plack shown by the Boers after their boast Hall. The programme consisted of kine- ful specches. President Steyn has joined matugraph views and clever perform the Boor lorces at Spytfontein to endeavour ancog on the Tylophone and guher and to restore confidence, which has been so on amusing violin entertainment by much shaken by the recent reverses that Mine Merands and Little Luty. The spother British victory wenternake west of Kinematograph were shown included the the Boers return to good farms. Injur-Maria disastor, the knock-one is the great | mation which has the reached the Gevern-Corport Filescommons figur, the Naval light | ment above that the some Boar forces op-In front of Maritis street savines from the properties the Bettink have municipal 53,000 Green-Tark water The performance will be more enlandedly equipped and organised by German and Francis officers.

A First Class Chiropodist.

Mr M. Schlosser, the Surgeon Chiro podist, who paid a prolonged visit to this Colony early this year, has returned from the North, and may be consulted at 3 Duddell Street, Room No. 11, from 9 a.m to 5 p.m.

The French in South China.

A Poking telegram states that t mines for which France has demanded working concession from the Chinese Govermont are situated near Kwangshau and Laichow, while the railways are to be constructed from the mines to the sea-coast of Kwangehau, which is not far from Canton. It is also stated that France has demanded from China the right to use the Chinese Dockyard and Engine Works at Foochow. This is an addition to the demands already lodged with the Chinese Government. Japanese paper thinks that China will not be able to grant the use of the dockyard at Fooeliow owing to an article in her treaty with Japan, which states that under no circumstances shall China grant to any foreign Power any concession in which

Turbine-Driven Torpedo-Boat.

London telegram, dated November | mill ran 20 days. 22, says :- The preliminary trial of the turbine tornedo boat Viper took place to-day and was successful. She developed a speed of 32 knots. The official trials will follow in a few days. The Viper is a naval experiment, and on hor success or failure the ultimate fate of the turbine engine to certain extent depends. The Viper was launched at Newcastle-on-Tyne on Septemher 6th and was expected to develop a speed of 35 knots an hour. She has four sets of turbine engines, which drive two propellors. It is stated that these engines are copable of developing 10,000 to 12,000 horse power. It is worthy of note that severa torpedo boats built in Gormany have reached a speed of 35 knots. The British Admiralty regard the Viper as an important experiment, and it has been so successful that more important developments may be expected in the use of turbine engines

and O. Pocket Book. Passengers by P. and O. steamers will

on war ships.

find the 'Pocket Book' issued by that Company a very useful handbook of information. The pecket book was first issued in 1888, to the extent of ten thousand copies, but it has long been out of print. The present issue embodies the cream the old issue, and some interesting articles by men of prominence. Sir Thomas Sutherland gives a brief history of the I and O. Company, with which he has been so long and honourably associated. There is an article in French on Le Canal de by Le Comte Charles de Lesis described by Stanley Sir Edwin Arnold gives 'Notes for a Tour through Indis.' other descriptive articles are 'China,' by as to thoroughly stamp out the disease. Sir Thomas Wade ; 'Japan,' by Henry W Lucy; and 'Australia,' by Hume Nisbot. There are beantiful photogravure illustrations of a number of the ports of call on the routes of the Company's steamers, There is a large collection of useful tables, and the illustrations of flags and maps are PRINCE HENRY'S VISIT TO SIAM. very well executed. The descriptions the ports on route are brought up to date. says:-

'Gup' from Tientein.

An occasional correspondent writes: The river has not frozen yet (Dec. 16) though it ought to have done so nearly a week ago. Although not frozen, it is closed to all intents and purposes. One 'old hand,' says that the old. Tientsin winter is a thing of the past; and if he means the old times when the Settlement was practically cut off from the world for several months every year, and the foreign residents, relieved from business routine, vossels. As the tide serves it is expected made their social life one continuous round | that they will be in Bangkok in the fore of enjoyable gatherings, then I agree with him. There is a little ice on the ponds but the olderly and more portly of our residents have not yet risked their lives, and the ponds are therefore left to the youthful himself will receive his guest, and there population. A guard of Marines has ar rived, and taken up its winter quarters. We hear of a good deal of inquietude Royal Palace, attended by a cavalry among the Chineso in Peking. Two Germans were mobbed there the other day while endeavouring to take some photographs. The lotest political rumour from Poking is that a Russo Japanese war is imminent. Just how much truth there is: in the summer I am unable to say, but hear that the Japanese steamers here are tertained to dioner by H.R.H. Prince be seen that the total increase in dollar refusing to make any engagements more Devawongse at the Foreign Office. After value of our trade was nearly 124 million. than a month shead. Another rumour general in Peking is that the boiler which will be a dinner at the German Minister's is mainly due to the rise in the price of tin arrived there for the electrical department of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (now lighted by electricity) was brought to boil the over of Chinese children to make some for the missionaries. The rebels at Shanhaikwan have been beaten, and there are numerous executions going on in Poking. Exaggeration has it that 1200 rebels were On Saturday he goes over the milbrought up the other day, and 50 of these were executed mostly strangled or ling. che'd.

THE MODERN MOTHER AS found that her little ones are in proved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy, than by any other Children enjoy it and it benefits them: The true remedy, Syrup of Fige, is name factured by the California Fix Syrup C only. Bold by Mesers, A. S. Warson Co., wholesale or fetail.

Museum. There were 100 European and 1,7; Chinese visitors to the City Hall Museum during the week ending 24th Dec.

Chinese Official Changes

The Chinese Mail has received a special telegram stating that II. E. Lau Kun-Viceroy of Nanking, is recalled to Peking for an audieuce, and Lu Chun lin, Governor of the same place, is to act as Viceroy protem, H E, Lu was only lately transforred from Canton.

Land Sale.

A Lot of Crown Land at Mong-Rok Tsui was sold this afternoon by public auction. The lot contains 3,115 square feet, is registered as Kowleon Inland Let 496; it was put up at \$1500 and sold for 83.600. The Grown Rent is \$44 per

Olivers Mines.

Wo are informed by Mesers John D. Humphreys and Son, General Managers of Olivers Freehold Mines Limited, that they have received a telegrand from the Mines. giving the result of this month's crushing as follows :-- 463 tons of quartz crushed for a yield of 304 ounces retorted gold

Fire at Wanchai.

At 8:45 p.m. yesterday, the Fire Bri- defended and indefensible. gade was summoned to a fire which had broken out on the second floor of an unoccupied house at No. 1 Ship Street. The Brigade confined the fire to the premises where it originated, damage to the extent of about \$300 being done.

Volunteers from Shanghai.

Shanghai has at last been caught by I the war lever, and we hear that nearly 200 people are going to offer their services to Vhitchall The offer has the merit of be ing made at a critical juncture, and on this score it is to be hoped that the British military authorities will not return the same answer as that sent to Hongkong, where the people offered to serve in South Africa at a time when it was thought that the British forces, on account of their numerical strength, would have a simple, walk But we have no reason to think that the Hongkong folk are less courageous than the Shanghai men, and perhans the local movement will have the effect of making the Hongkongites repeat their offer, in which case the China contingent may blossom into the China Regiment, not of Weihaiwei, however, which home folk please note, -Mercury.

Quelling a Plague Epidemic On the authority of Dr Kitosato, the facshin states that the only course now possible for stamping out the plague in Kobe, which appears already to have spread to all parts of the city, is to thoroughly cleanse houses and premises, destroy all rats. medically inspect the people, and collect all the inhabitants of the poorer quarters in Kobe in one place and there isolate them. The improvement of the drains and keeping houses clean just as in the cities of Europe, are also recommended. The dest way of catching rate, according to Dr Kitusato, is to suread bird-lime on a sheet of paper, putting in the centre something of which rate are very fond. It is an extremely difficult matter to disinfect houses where plague has occurred to such an extent For instance, the house of Hirai Matakichi plague, was disinfected three times, and yet the children were affected three weeks after the disinfection had taken place. Such houses Dr Kitasato arges should be pulled downand the dobris burnt. - Kobe Chronicle.

The Bungkok Times of the 16th inst.

lieu) the Makut Rajakumar (Lieut, Com- men. Yours faithful y. mander Ring), and the Muratha (Licut. Commander Soidelin) left to day for the mouth of the river to receive H. R. H. Prince Heinrich of Prussia. By the Suring there travelled Phya Sihami Decho (A. D. C. to His Majesty), Luang Padiyat, Cha Mun Chong Bhakdi (Ong Kwa), Phya Phiphat Kosa, and Phra Samudh (Gov. ernor of Pakuam), who are to welcome His quarter ended Sept. 30th are now to hand. Royal Highness to Siam on boldill of His Majesty, To-morrow morning the arrival of the Deutschland the Prince latory statements: and his suite will go on board the Surveya, which will then come up the river attended by the other Royal Navy noon. The yacht will ancher opposite Sunandalaya College where Plara Rajawarinton of the Household Department will be in waiting with a state barge to convey the royal visitor and his suito to the Palace landing. There His Majesty will be a large gathering of Princes. Ministers and officials. The King and Prince Heinrich will then drive to the escort, and the Prince will be welcomed by the Queen, after which they will proceed to the Samurom Palice, which is to be the Prince's residence during his stay here. In the evening His Royal Highness and suite will be entertained to dinner by the King. be again the guest of His Majosty at dinne

On Monday evening Prince Heinrich will linner there will be a State Concert.

on Tuesday evening; an cutartainment by Uf this metal \$8:178,616 worth were exthe Navy Department with a dance on the ported in the third quarter of 1898. In Make Chekker on Wednesday evening; a this quarter \$17,175,259, which alone acgarden party at the German Minister's on counts for nine cut of the twelve and a Siamese language by a Siamese (the Rev. Thursday afternoon, with a Christmas tree half millions. - Free Press. and entertainment at the German Club in

On Friday afternoon Peince Heinrich caves for Bang-pa-in Palace, when he will again be entertained by his Majesty. way to Sarahuri and Mucklek, peturning to Bang pa-in in the evening, when His Majesty gives an entertainment that will

be attended by a large party from Bang, kok. Next day, the 24th, Prince Heiprich returns to Bingkok, and goes at once to the mouth of the river to spend Christmas on board the Destachland On the 26th he goes to dyuthin, returning to Bangkak in the evening. On the 28th he will be the guest of H. R. H. Prince Bhannraigs to titto, and ho leaves on the incraing of The invitations for the evening enti-

taimment at the Royal Kary Department

wore issued resterday.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS SERVICE.

London, December 2# MR LEYDS IN PARIS

Mr Leyds is in Paris and it is reported is seeking an interview with M. Delcasse. The motive of the interview is not ex-

THE WAR THE SITUATION AT MODDER RIVER.

Reuter's Correspondent at Modder River position, 18th justant, states that the Book cuttenchments extend for twenty miles athwart the railway line, and that they are still digging strong works. The British Camp is in a splendid position on a plain, the nearest hill being five miles dis-

Loxpon, December 25, 1899. THE WAR.

An official despatch from Ladysmith dated 23rd inst., states that five deaths had occurred from discouc-

Kuruman is still held by a small force of police, in spite of renewed exertions of the

The Free-Staters are credited with the intention of transferring the seat of Govern ment to Winburg, Bloomfuntein being un

The British Camp at Chievely has moved | H. Wildborg, A.B., o Lee, b Vallings for miles further south to obtain a better water supply, and also to escape shelling by Boer guns from the hills on the left.

Sharp fighting was heard on the 18th inst. in the direction of Ladysmith. A lotter from the Standard correspondent at Ladysmith insists emphatically on the niter inferiority of the British field artillery,

CORRESPONDENCE

French and German guns,

which never gots within range of the

THE SANITARY BOARD AS IT NOW IS: To the Editor of the CHINA MAIL!

December 27, 1899. DEAR Sitt. Brownie and your Chut ney Contr.buter have pretty well gauged the public sceling with regard to the Loca Sanitary problem, but the crux of the matter is this. Suppose Mr Shelton Hooper, for instance, should again be fined for some Sanitary-Board-created misdemeanour which he did not commit, it will be open to him to plead, that the Sanitary Board, being illegally constituted, no convictions I have it ou very good legal can -result.' authority that this is the Law, and would be sustained. I also hear that Governmont admitted the fact, but intended to et things slide in Hongkong official fashion unless the public objected. Well, the public have shown what they think of the so-called representative concession. -- The ublic to elect two members, and Governmen: 10 nominate four to square the weights. No one will take the trouble to object to Dr Hartigan or Mr licitio, who will only waste tuell line over a thankloss job, but the public of this Colony will never be satisfied with anything short of liberty to manage their own local concerns. We know where the hitch is situated, and it can he untied or Rev. G. R. Vallings, not out cut, but our present Governor evidently in- Llout, Hill, R.W.F., c-Ross, b Lowtends to do nothing but talk, and the Col. son Sec. has done more of that than he can cure in a life-time; so we must wait till the Transvent business is settled and bottle | Lieut. Moreton, R. N., b Ross ... the steam for a full-power trial later on. Private Preedy, c Woodgate, h Mac-It will be necessary, for if Government is going to play Is t and loose with the freedom of the port, then there will be 'divarsion sufficient to satisfy any spalueen that can handle a grey goose quill in a | constitutional manner. Heaven knows thougony has been piled on rather extensively of late. We want some of the wise. capable men who administer our Indian The Suring Monthon (Captain de Riche | Entine, or a system that will develop such

BLACKTHORN. THE TRADE OF THE STRAITS

SETTLEMENTS.

The quarterly returns of imports and exports for the Straits Settlements for the The following, figures are from the recapitu-

Singapore \$48,864,440

3rd Qr. 1899

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Penang	\$15,335,798	\$15,261,979
	£ 1,485,655	£ 1,510,801
Malacca	\$ 508,008	\$ 404,982
	£ 49,213	£ 46,013
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Total		\$65,889,123
	£ 6,074,861	£ 6,520,279
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ing £445,410		
	EXPORT.	
Singapore	837,884,878	\$44,010,478
	£ 3,070,008	£ 4,355,202
Penang		
L CHAPT AND A STATE	\$12,150,027	815,382,383
	£ 1,177,033	£ 1,522,213
Malacoa	\$ 548,777	\$ 504,299
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The second secon	E 53,104	£ 55,842
Total	\$50,583,682	\$59,957,160
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The rate of exchanges were respectively Diplomatic and Consular body will be en 1/111 for 1898 and 1/117 for 1899. It will the increase extending to all the sottle-The chief events of the following days monts. Naturally the increase in exports

WEATHER REPORT The following notice is issued from the Observatory:

On the 27th at 11 55 antr. The barging ter continues to rise on the China diget, Pressure is highest over No China, with nimsoon in the Formosa Chainel and N user of the China Sea. Forecast :- fresh,

Favor and Hewlsche often got hand in and, the result of the same durangement. cure the equas and headachs will ranish. Stearns Headache Cure does it effectually. It is a reliable remedy

seasily taken, and prompt in action. For "Goodwass John! How queer the baby Sale by all obenists, and wholesale and looks. I believe he is going to have a fight

NATY + CLUB. Played at Happy Valley on 25th December Scores :--

Mackenzie Grieve + 5 Burney.... Davison + 6 Ryan Cochran 8 Tomes 4 Hastings..... + 2 Taylor Hall...... -- 4 Run -- + Forbes 4-11 Dalrymple. Midgley + 3 Morris +28 -12

CRICKET.

CHBISTMAS HOLIDAY FIXTURES."

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During the Christmas h lidays, th Hongkong Cricket Club played matche with the Navy and the United Services. The following are the scores in the Navy p. H.K. C. C. fixture :-

Dr Tuck, o Valliegs, h Let. Lieut. Wright. b Howard..... Lieut, E. C. Smith, c Mast, b Lec..... Mr Elliott, b Lan horne Leigt Strong, b Vallings

Lieut. McLyughlin, c Maitland, b Vallings Lieut Moreton, c Hill b Villings..... Lieut. Jellicoe, b Langhorne Lieut. Tomkinson, o Lee, b Langhorne Mr Cronore, not out.....

SECOND INNINGS. Dr Tuck, st Johnson, b Lowson.

Lieut, Smith, c I. Grant Smith, b Ward Lieut. Wright, e and b Maiti and Lieut, Moreton, c aub., b Langhorne... leut. Strong, not out Mr Elliott, e Landhorne, b Ward Lieut, McLaughlin, e Howard, b Langleut Jellicoe, b Langhorne Lieut. Tomkinson, H. Wildbore and

Mr Cronore did not bat Lee, c Jellicoe, b Elliott R. B. Johnson, R.W.F., run out . Grant Smith, st Wright, 1-Tuck W. Howard, b E. C. Smith

H. Hill, R.W.F., c and b E. C. Smith L. G. Ward, b Tuck Captain Laughorne, R.A., not out Maitland, not out

Innings closed for..... or Lowson, E. Mast and Rev. G. R. Vallings did not bat.

H. K. C. C. V. UNITED SERVICES. The following are the scores in the match between the H.K. C. C. and the United

UNITED SERVICES. Dr Tuck, R.N., o Moitland, b Ross Lieut. E. C. Smith, R.N., 1.b.w. Low-Lieut. Wright, R.N., run out. Lieut. Johnson, R.W.F., c. Lee. b Captain Langhorne, R.A., c sub. b Mackenzie Lieut. Strong. R.M.L.I., c sub. b

SECOND INMINUS.

Lieut. E. C. Smith, not out... Lient. Johnson, R.W.F., b Lowson ... Dr Tuck, R.N., not out

J. Ross o Hill, b Vallings J. L. Lee, c Mulliken, b Vallings A. G. Ward, c Vallings, b Preedy..... H.R. Hancock, e Langhorne, b Vallings F. Maitland, c E. C. Smith, b Vallings J. A. Lowson, c Langhorne, b Valllings F. Kew, b Vallings

P. A. Cox, st Knight, b Vallings J. A. Woodgate, c Tuck, b Vallings ... K. W. Mounsey, run out A. Mackenzie, not out

£50;162;161 SECOND INNINGS. P. A. Cox, c Smith, b Preedy 31 F. Maitland; e and b Vallings..... J. L. Lee, h Preedy Dr Lowson, c Mulliken, b Preedy ... A. Mackenzie, st Knight, b Vallings ... H. R. Hancock, & Moreton, b Vallings J. A. Woodgate, c Vallings, b Mulliken: 14 F. Kow, at Knight, b Vollings...... K. W. Mounsey, not out A. G. Ward c and b Vallings J. Ross, absent

A Unique Wedding. The marriage of the Rev. J. A. Lakin France and China.

and Mrs. Lyman was solemnised at the Samray Presbyterian Church yesterday Ping-heng on the charge of conceding to afternoon (says the Bangkyk Times of the 10th Dec). There was a large attendance wedding we should think was unique in that it was conducted throughout in the Yuan) who is a regularly ordsined unvister of the Presbiterian Church. Both Mr. and Mrs Eakin are on the staff of the Siam Church, and both have been engaged in the

Mission of the American Presbyterian schools of the Mission, Mr Eakin being the head of the Christian High School at Sammey, while Mrs. Eakin has for some time been assisting Miss Cole at Wang slight to mederate gradients and strong Long After receiving the congratulations of bheir many friends, the bride and bridegroom left for a brief honeymoon, up the

> You can't keep a scoret, Marie - Wee. can; but I sleave happen to tell things to other girls who can tal

Where is my camero

MIL CHAMBERLAIN'S SENSA TIONAL SPEECH.

GERMAN ALLIANCE ADVOCATED. London, Nov. 30 -Mr Josoph Chamberlain. Secretary of State for the Colonies. in a speech at a luncheon at Leicester today, said that ever since the great split in the Liberal party he had found himself a mark for slanders and misropresentations from the baser sort of politicians, but, he added. 'I have found compensation in the generous appreciation of the majority of my countrymen. Continuing Mr Chamberlain said that he was deeply gratified that the foreign relations of Great Britain were satisfactory, and asserted that the couptry owed a debt of gratitude to Lord Salisbury, for the great improvement in Great Britain's position. It was especially gratifying he pointed out, to note the friendly relations exiting between the Anglo-Saxon | the Emperor and Empress of Gormany and branches saying that the understanding | suite, arrived here to-day from Sheerness, between the United States and Great Bri- Their Majesties were received ut the land. tain was indeed a guarantee of the peace of ing stage by the Dutch Minister of Foreign the world. (This statement was greeted Affairs, the German Minister and other with cheers.) It was of the utmost imporwith cheers.) It was of the utmost import notables. The party proceeded along a not by the said policy or by any momortance. Mr Chamberlain further remarked, covered way, which was decorated with and an appoint a trustee or trustees of the that Great Britain should not remain isolated in Europe, and her natural alliance was Royal Pavilion, at the station, where they with the great German Empire. They had had difficulties with Germany, but their interests and sentiments were the same and an understanding between the TEUTONIO AND ANGLO-SAXON BACES

might do more than any combination of to the brilliantly decorated Royal Pavilion, armies to preserve the peace of the world. where ten was taken. Then the Emperor The world, he asserted, was not governed and Empress, after affectionate farewells, entirely by interest; sentiment was one of entered the train in waiting and departed. the greatest factors. Referring to the attacks of the foreign Gorman Statesmon Decorated.

press, Mr. Chamberlain said that these London, Dec. 1.—The Gazette announces newspapers had not even spared the most sacred person of the Queen. continued the speaker, provoked natura indignation; which may have serious con sequences if our neighbours do not men their ways. An outburst of cheers greete this threat of the Colonial Secretary. It was a matter of congratulation, M

Chamberlain afterwards asserted; that the worst of these disgraceful attacks did no appear in the German papers. Dealing with the attitude of the foreign nations, Mr. Chamberlain said : "I rejoice

and it is perhaps natural, for I have taken a personal interest in the matter, in the friendly feeling which I hope is now permanont between the two great branches of the Augle-Saxon Race. I have so many friends in the United States, almost a many as I liave here and I can conceive of no greater disaster to the two countries than find themselves hostile to each other remember when I first visited America my surprise and astonishment at the evidences given me by statesmen and poli ticians and in articles in the press, of constant suspicion of the objects of Great Britair, constant doubts as to her integrity and a generally disfavorable estimate our prospects and character. Once, ad dressing a great meeting in Philadelphia I ventured to say that what we wanted was A NEW COLUMBUS

to sot out from America, discover the United Kingdom and return to America and tell them something they did not know of the character of the strange inhabitants of those islands. This ill feeling was due no doubt, to many couses : due to the fact that the United States has never been a war with any great Power but England due to their traditions, extending over century; due to a Civil War, and to th renoral belief that the people of Great Britain would see with satisfaction any harm that inight befall them.

It appeared to me almost useless to confradict these mistaken opinions. But what the assistance of statesmen could not do. was done by the sympathy we were able give when the United States found itself the object of suspicion, which has so often ac companied our own transactions when engaged in a war of justice against oppression, a war in favor of civilisation and good government. Our action proved to the Americans that there were indeed one beople of the same thoughts and enided by 15 was given them in the course of the Spanish War will. I believe never be forgotten, and has placed our relations in an admirable position. The union, the alliance, if you please, the understanding between these two great nations, is indeed a guarantee o the reace of the world. But there is some thing more which I think any far-sceing English statesman has long desired, that w should not remain permanently isolated from the Continent of Europe, and I think it must have appeared evident to everybody that the natural alliance is between our solves and the German Empire. We have had our differences, quarrels and dissensions but they have all been about petty matters. These difficulties have been gradually re moved, until now I cannot conceive that which can bring ourselves and German

ANTAGONISM OF INTERESTS. On the contrary, I can foresee many things in the inture which must cause anxiety to the statesmen of Europe, but in which or interests are clearly the same as Germany and in which the understanding, of which I have spoken in the case of America, might if it is extended to Germany, do more per haps, than any combination of arms to pre-

serve the peace of the world. A new alliance, between the Teutoni races, and the two great branches of the Anglo Saxon Race, said the Secretary would be a potent influence in the future of the world. He explained that he used the word alliance but, he added, it mattered little whether we had the alliance committed to paper, or an understanding which existed in the minds of statesmen of the respective countries. The determination in every case to look for favorable motives upon the part of those with whom friendship was desired, woul be an enormous advantage to both the na tions concerned and others.

The impeachment of Marshal Su by 1

much to the French at Knangchouwan has resulted in the Marshal's being deprived of his Grand Commissionership and his army of the friends of the contracting parties, corps command at Tsingkiangpu, pending investigation. It will be remembered that being a persona grata with the French. he was sent down with plenary power to settle the Forch demands, but even so when the Freuch demanded Nantao Island he wired to the Empress Dowager for instructions. The Tsungli Yamen having been informed by the Chicese Minister at Paris that the French Government meant business, Marshal Su vas instructed to do unpleasant characteristics of COD LIVER J. H. Pearson. whatever was necessary to prevent the OIL are removed, will, no doubt, be some. J. N. Olin French going to war. The only course ciated. British Medical Lournal. 8-14 W. G. Petigura..... other to the Mishal was to concode what by all Chemists. Wholesale and Retail Miss C. M. Usber France demonded. Now the high nuthors of from A.S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkon L. I. F. M. A. C. Co., Co. fesat Peking abaid of the obloquy which another cossion of territory will bring upon them, have made Marshal Su their scape goat but it the country generally passes over the matter, the Marshal will probably be reinstated after a short interval .- N.

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NEWS BY THE CANADIAN MAIL

The Queen will Visit Germany. that the Emperor William has achieved one of the objects of his vist to England, in having induced Queon Victoria to give a conditional promise to visit the Prussian Court during the last week of April. She will travel, it appears, from North Italy to Germany, by the St. Gothard Tunnel and be Germany's guest for several days at Coblenz or Potsdam. Her Majesty's visit will be entirely private There will be no illuminations or reviews

The Kaiser in Holland:

Flushing, Nov. 29 .- The Imperial German yacht Hohenzollers, having on board plants and Gorman and Dutch flags, to the were welcomed in a most cordial manner by Queen Wilhelmina and the Queen Mother, Queen Wilhelminn, leaning on the arm of the Emperor, and followed by the Empross and the Queon Muther, led the way

hat Count von Buclow; the Garman Minister of Foreign Affairs, who recently visited England with the Emperor William, has been made on Honorary Knight of the Victoria Order, Others of the Emperor's suite thave been given various degrees of

The Gazette announces that the Emperor William has been appointed an Honorary Knight Grand Cross of the Victoria Order.

Russia Wants a Foothold in

London, Nov. 30,-The Daily Chronicle. his morning publishes what it calls startling information. It says: Russia has decided to establish a permanent diplomatic agency in Cabul next Spring. The Ameer's consent has been obtained, and pourpariers have been exchanged between Count Mumvieff and Great Britain, which is not likely to oppose the step.

Scandal in Russian High

Berlin, Nov. 22 .- The Deltache Zeilung to-day publishes the following despatch from St. Petersburg: The Tear has instructed Minister Muravieff to investigate. the allegations that M. do Witte, Minister of Finance, has been manipulating the Bourse to his personal advantage. M. Witte has made an ineffectual attempt suicide. His wife requested an audience with the Tsar, but her request was reject. ed. Several high financiers and officials are said to he implicated. Nothing known in Berlin regarding these statements. Dr Niquela. Minister of Finance. is an intipate friend of the Russian Minister of Finance, and it is said that he knew nothing about the matter, except the antaconism between M. Muraviol and M. de Witte, which is of long standing,

Not Like the Old Firm.

Lindon, Nov. 28 .- Sir Arthur Sullivan's lew opera. The Rose of Parsia, produced at the Savoy this evening, is another illustration of the difficulty the libratist G. W. Price. c. has in following in the footsteps of Mr Gilbert. In many instances Sir Arthur's music is delightful, in the choruses, as well | F. B. Marshall as in the so os, and the staging is excellent. E. Thomas humor of Mr Gilbert's works, although given a friendly reception.

The Druce Case.

London, Dec. 2.—The appeal of M Anna Maria Druce, who claims to be daughter in law of the fifth Duke of Portand, against the decision prohibiting the opening of the Druce vault in Highgate Jemetery, unless the owner of the grave consents to have the coffin opencil, been dismissed, no one appearing in su

The Italian Budget. Rome, Nov. 28 .- Dr Bacelli, Minister of

he Treasury, presented his financial state-He said that the budget of 1898.00 closed with a surplus of over 15,000,000 (\$600.00"), awing almost entirely to the increas d revenue exceeding the estimates by 42,000,000 lire. The expenditures execcded the estimates by 27,000,000 lire. The revenue was an indication of the favorable revival of commerce. The budge for 1899-1900 would show a deficit 11,000,000 lire, although possibly would be covered if the increased receipts continued. The inadequacy of credits. assigned for the construction warships. would be niet, the Minister, explained, an annual Treasury advance of 10,000,000 lire, for two years, without appeal for credit or issue of bonds. The amount be paid in instalments by or ganised arrangements. The Minister W. F. Hewett. uniticipated a deficit of 14,000,000 lire in l the budget of 1900-1901. In order to prevent serious financial trouble it was thought necessary to modify the fisca arrangements affecting sugar, and also introduce legislation affecting the Mercantile Marine and pension system. Regarding sugar, continued Dr Bacelli, as the large protection afforded it was manifestly dangerous to the Treasury, he proposed to rectify the number of lixing the tax on the manufactured article, leaving the tariff unchanged. Regarding the Mercautile Marine, the Ministor said that the expenditure upon compensation for ship building and navigation premiums would not be allowed to exceed | Cheung Jim Scong 10,000,000 the annually. Proposals also Louis Whitfield would be submitted for restraining the | Chan Youk Ying grawing burden of pensions. The Minister P. M. Saugur then proceeded to explain the proposed new J. Phillips methode for internal taxation mitigating A. J. MacGregor harshuess and removing inequalities.

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THE LATE MR A. V. HAVERS Bufore Sir N. J. Hannen in the Supreme Court at Shanghai on the 19th December. London, Nov. 28.—Truth announces Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, on behalf of Gladen Mary Havers, widow of Arthur do Vers Havers presented as to matters the follow.

1. Your petitioner then being a minor. was on the 9th day of February, 1898, mar-

ried at Shanghai, China, to Arthur de Vore 2. The said Arthur de Vero Havers on the 1st day of September 1898 at Hongkong storesaid effected a policy of Assurance upon his own life with the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States it the sum of £1,000 a erling, whereby a trust was created in lavour of your petitioner the sum insured being by the terms of the said policy payable upon the death of the said Arthur de Vore Havers to your petitioner 3. The said Arthur de Vero Havers did monies payable thereunder. 4. The said Arthur de Vere Havers died at Hongkong sforesaid on the 3rd day of September, 1800, not having made any such appointment leaving your politioner then a

Your petitioner therefore humbly prays 1.—That Nicholas E. Cornish of Shang, hai, Civil Engineer and John Smedley of Shanghai, Architect and Civil Engineer. may he appointed Trustees of the monies proable by the said Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States under

2.—That the right to receive, sue for recover, and give valid receipts for the said monics or any interest in respect thereof may rest in the said Nicholas E. Cornish and John Smedley as such Trustcos. Or that such other order may be made in the premises as to this Honoumble Court

nav seem meet. And your petitioner will every pray. Mr Wilkinson stated that he had been authorised to say that the Equitable Society would assent to any order his Lordship might make The necessity for the present application was because the Insurance Company were bound to get a valid receipt for the money, while on the other hand the

petitioner was a minor. His Lordship made an order in the terms as prayed for, the costs of the application

a come out of the estate. SOUTH AFRICAN WAR. SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' PAMILIES YOND Sir T. Jackson acknowledges receipt of the following subscriptions to the above Already acknowledged 865,800 30 Almer & Torner Collected at Banquet of Persoveronce Lodge. Captain, Officers & Crew B.s. aptain, Officers & med H M.S. Phoenix 2nd subs I. A. Maclead Rayal Naral Chief & Werrant Officers Club ... Captain, Officers & Engineers

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will be despatched for the above Port about 27th December. To be followed by The Steamship QUEEN ELEANOR, about the 15th January, 1900. And the Steamship MORVEN. about the 15th February, 1900. For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. Hongkeng, December 12, 1899.

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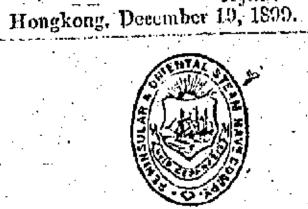
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THE S. S. NIPPON MARU WILL be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INL IND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONO-LULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd Jan., at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any pointen route.

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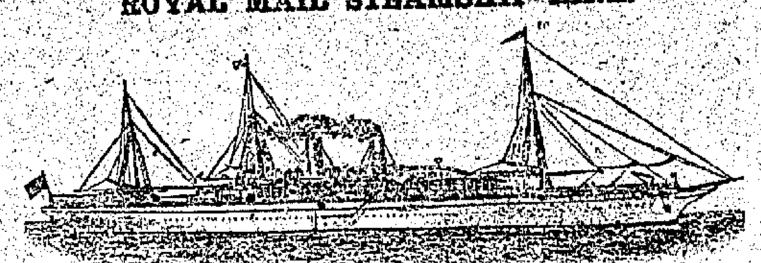
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Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

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Daphne -	aloop		Ü	3500	Com. R. B. S. Wrey	Shanghai
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Endymion	cruiser, 1st class	7350	12	10,000	Capt. G. A. Callaghan	Nagasaki
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	36.5	3	200	LtCom. C. Chadwick	Wethaiwei
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	369	บั	5700	LieutCom. R. J. Keyes	Shanghai
Firebrand	gunboat, 2nd class	455	1	360	Didust Com. It. D. Heyes	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	ti	4000		Hongkong
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Humber	storeship	1619		1640	Capt. H. J. Davison	
Iphigenia -	cruisor, 2nd class	360)	8	9030	Capt. H. N. Dudding	Hongkong
Linnet	gun-vessel, 2nd class	733	2	870	Com. Wm. W. Smythe	Hongkong Wuchow
Orlando	armoured cruiser, 1st class	6000	12	8500	Captain J. H. T. Burke	Hongkong
Peacook	gunboat, 1st class	755.	(j.	1200°	LieutCom. S. G. Douglas	Hongkong
Pluenix	gunboat	1015	<u></u>	<u> </u>	Commander Cochran	Hongkong Hongkong
Pigmy	gunboat, 1st class	753	G G	1290	LicutCom. J. F. Green	Weih iiwei
Plover	gunboat, 1st class	755	L 6 i	1200	LtCom. C. V. de M. Cowper	Manila
Redpola	gunboat	805	ិច	720	LtCom. F. F. Haworth Booth	Shanghai
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	LieutComdr. H. C Carr	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	LieutComdr. Oldham	Yangtse River
Swift	gun-vessel, End class	755	3	879		Hongkong
Tamar	receiving ship	4659		-	Commodore Francis Powell	Hengkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	2	200	LtCom. Hon. L. Fotbes Sempill	West River
Undaunted	armoured cruiser, 1st clas-	8690	12 '	8500	Capt. A. C. Clarke	Hongkong
Victorious	battleship, 1st class	14,900	16	12,000	Capt. A. Schömber	Weilmiwei
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	629	— i	45)	Comdr. W. P. Dawson	Hougkong
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Wivern	coastdefenceship, armourer	2750 - 1	4	10.81		Hongkong
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	550	LicutCom. H. D. S. Walson	Shanghai
-Woodlark-	river gunbout	150	2	550		Shanghai

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Nume.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	II.P.	Captain.	Last reported a
Presidente Sarr	nento Argentine training vessel	2850			Captain Detbeder	Singaporo
Aspie	French gunboat	475	3	450	Commander Journe	Suigon
D'Entrecasteau Descartas	Fronch flagship Fronch cruiser	40.33	-	10544	Captain de Maroll	Kwongchauwan
Echarour	French cruser	400) 1055	14	2050 2050	Capt. Philibert Capt. Texier	Kwongchanwan
Jean Bart	Fronch cruisor	4500		2000	Capt. Aubin	Taku Nagasaki
Kersaint	French gunboat	1250	1 6	2200	Capt. de la Motte du l'ortail	Saigon
Léon Pascal	French gunboat French cruiser	470		0500	Capt. Amet	Kwongehauwan
Surprise	French gunboat	3988 _ 620	14 2	8560	Captain Motet Captain de Plessix	Kwongehauwan
Vauban	French cruiser		-		Captain Blondel	Kwongchauwan Kwongchauwan
Deutschland 🦠	German ironclad.	8000		8000	Captuin Muller	Bangleck
Gefion House	German craisor	410)	10	9000	Captain Rollmann	Bangkok
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Irone	German cruiser	420)	i i	2930	Commander Obenheimer	Kisochan Nagasaki
Kaiserin Augus Scoadler		6331	20	14,000	Captain Gilich	Shanghai *
	Gorman 3rd class cruiser	1610	15	2800	Captain Schack	en route
Carlo Alberto	Italian cruiser	6500		13,000	Capt. Roberto	Woosung
Liguria	Italian cruiser Italian cruiser	2732 2300	12	6590	Capt. Ceccani	Shanghai
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Africa	Portuguese transport	1469	_	-	Capt. Vasco Carvallio	Macao
Liberal	Portuguese gunhoat	40)	3 s	400	Conidr. Cunha Lima	Hongkong
Admiral Kornie	off Russian cruiser	5500	13	9000	Captain Yuko ieff	Nagasaki
Alcout	Russian gunboat	810	2	739	Captain Parenego	Vladivostock
Bobro Dimitry Donsko	Russian sloop	939	2	1150	Captain Boisman	Nagasaki
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Otvajny	Russian gunboat Russian gunboat	1490	2	2000	Captain Feniche	Nagasaki
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	15	8000	Captain Coprismoff Captain Niedermilles	Nagasaki Port Arthur
Rossia	Russian craiser	12,200	28		Captain Domojiroff	Vladivostock
Rurik Silateh	Russian flagship	10,923	20	13,250	Comdr. Haupt	Nagasaki
Sissoi Veliky	Russian gunboat Russian 2nddhas battleshir	950	2 11	1125 8500	Captain Barranoff	Port Arthur
Sivootch	Russian gunboat	้อีกับ	2	1120	Captain Mollas Captain Soulatin	Nagasaki
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Vsadnik Zabijaka	Russian gunboat Russian cruisor	50) 123)	11	3590 1194	Capt. Rogulia	
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Daltimore	U. S. cruiser	4413	10 .	10 081	Captain J. M. Forsytho	Manila
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Charleston	UcS. cruiser	3730	8	6666	Captain E. W. Pigman	Manila Asbore
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Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3390		769 3107	Lieut. Com. A. P. Nazro Commander J. McGowan	Manila
Monocacy	U. S. gunboat	1370	ប់	851	Comdr. G. A. Bicknell	Manih Shanglisi
Monterey	U.S. monitor	1031	. 4	5244	Comer. R. H. C. Leutzo	Manila
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AN AMERICAN VIEW OF OUR DIFFERENCES. This is how an love paper puts the

The Boer s ys :- This is our country: We mate od it from the savages, mule farm-land of the wilderness. The Briton says: We helped you light the Kaffira. We developed the mines and made you rich. We built the cities. Boots :-- You want it because of the gold and diamonds.

subjects in their legitimate pursuits. Boor :- You domand equal franchiso, This would mean political extinction for us. Briton :- We pay nine-tenths of the taxon. Don't wo deserve a vote? The majority ought to rule. Boer :- By the conventions of 1884 you promised nover to inferfere in our internal.

us on every hand. Boer :- We want no English among our citizens. You are immural and vicious... You would not make good burghers. Briton:-No nation has the right to solate itself in a land full of gold and diamonds. You are only half civilised. You are religious bigots.

Boer :- If our laws please you not, you re free to go away. Briton :-- We are here to stay. Boor :- If God wills it, we will fight to tho death.

Briton :- So will we. Boer :- Remember Majuba Hill, Briton :---We do.

General Gatacra.

leading article in The Australusian :-General Gatacre is fresh from the honours, authorities are most careful to hide their he won in the Soudan. The British brigado | doings from the Boors, whose spies abound, which formed the backbone of Lord Kitchener's army was under his command, they learn at Cape Town or Durban. The and never were men brought into action | Cape Government Railway, whose headafter toilsome marching in better fettle. quarters are at Cape Town, has been 'General Back-acher' was the nickname practically taken over by the British his zeal for hard work earned him among military authorities, and is controlled from THE Series of Articles entitled -THE his troops. But they were devoted to him, the 'Castle' instead of from Government BACK DOOR, which appeared for he did not tax them more rigorously House. Not a van can be moved without than he taxed himself, and nover asked a permit from the military authorities. them to go where he would not lead. A severe and useful espionage is observed Gatacre's brilliant forced march alone of civilian travellers. Every train going brought the army into position to fight the north carries troops, and at every station battle of Atbara, and when the fighting on the route, no matter how late or carly began he forget his rank and raced in the charge on Mahmoud's zareba as though his Colonists, women predominating, who cheer life were of no more importance to the the soldiers in the most loyal and encourbrigade than that of a private. The general aging spirit. Tommy cheers in reply, was first through the zareba, tearing aside the prickly scrub with his hands as an example to his men; so fully occupied, in stopping place. The military censors so far fact, that he had no time to spare for self-have been very good. They have frankly defence. When up Arab was figure point. defence. When an Arab was firing point- informed the correspondents that if they blank at him, Gatacre merely said to a refrain from inserting military arrivals, or Highlander at his elbow, Give him the the stations or doings of troops, their despoint, my man, and the soldier's prompti- patches will go through without delay. tude just saved the general. That indicates Hence the reason why you have heard so fighting stuff, and Sir Redvers Buller has little of distinctly regimental interest. plenty of it available if there be more stern Never were there as many Press correspondents assembled for any campaign. I send this from a British camp, but I cannot

The Mortality in Officers.

The Bombay Gazette writes :- The Commander-in-Chief has issued an order, which, if likely to be of practical efficacy, might Boers single out their especial victims by the badges. Their swords, their position in advance at the fighting line, and their gestures of command mark them out as and arrays the neck, hands and arms in match, men in authority. In the Crimea when the less whiteness, unobtainable by any other Russian Officers were picked up by the means. Ask Stores and Chemists for Rowland's British and French sharp-shooters, Prince Karrooz, and avoid poisonous imitations. Woronzoff ordered that all officers should wear the greatcoat of the private soldier over their uniform. That was a sensible step towards the assimilation of the officer and the men whom he leads into action. A French General distinguished himself by a characteristic pronouncement on the matter-of-fact Russian Commander-in-Chief's order :- 'The French officer, proud of his uniform, will never hide it under the capote of the soldier.' He would prefer to be shot rather than forego the pleasure of displaying a highly-ornamental dress to the enemy on the alert to kill him. When it comes to pass that one officer falls in action to three privates, it is time to take thought of some means of equalising the officer's chances of survival in battle. The Russians have devised several means, for minimising avoidable losses in all ranks by abolishing everything that can arrest the attention or rivet the mark of the enemy. The barrels of guns are brouzed so as not to reflect the rays of the sun. Everything that glitters is either suppressed or bronzed in the Muscovite army. The clanking of sabres whon cavalry are on the march has been put an end to. Would it not be prudent, and humane, for our own gallant defenders who freely my down their lives at the call of duty to do the same? Sir Redvers Baller's order that distinguishing badges should be discorded is a stop in the right direction. but it is a very short and inadequate step.

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to be 2 feet below mean sea level. To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. Malate 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdoon, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

27th Dec. to 2nd January.

Before the Cavalry Regiments which were sont from India left this country, they were presented with a few very useful little wrinkles by General Locks Elliett, the Inspector Concral of Cavalry in India, One of these was: - Never trust a Boar alive or dead for nine times he'll do you if he's the former, and is only shamming whon he's the latter. The other was to take a large supply of wire clippers with each Corps. The

Wrinkles for the War.

Briton :- We seek only to protect our soundness of this latter hint is at orice apparent, for it is not necessary to point out how quickly envalry could be put out of action and stopped by wire entingle rents, or how, for instance, their progress would be stopped by a long chain of wire fencing round a railway. As to the other bit of advice tendered the horse soldiers concerning the amount of reliance to be placed in a government. Now you ignore those con- Beer, we have had already some telling ox ventions. Kill him first and lalk about teams Briton : - Conditions have changed with him afterwards seems to be a very You rule has become tyrannical. You rob sonsible maxim. - Madras Mal, December

> The War Censorship. The Special Correspondent of a Home

paper writes!:---

Although some 20,000 British troops are now in South Africa yet there is nothing in the appearance of the streets, either of Cape Town or Durban, to show that a corporal's guard is in the country. When reinforce ments are lauded they are entrained and passed up country. Regiment after regiment lands and vanishes. It leaves no public record of its appearance or disappearance. The men do not know whither they are bound; the officers have but a vague idea of their destination. The other night a Naval Brigade was slipped ashere The following extract is taken from a fand carried up-country, vanishing as if it had melted into space or never had been. The explanation is obvious. The military

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